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SUBJ: KOSYGIN TO YUGOSLAVIA; BREZHNEV TO BULGARIA

1. YUGOSLAV EMBASSY COUNSELOR DIMCEVSKI TELLS US THAT KOSYGIN VISIT TO YUGOSLAVIA HAS SLIPPED TOWARD END OF SEPT 20-OCT 1 TARGET PERIOD, AND THAT EXACT DATE AS WELL AS PROGRAM WILL BE SET IN NEGOTIATIONS IN BELGRADE WITH SOVIET EMBASSY.

2. DIMCEVSKI SAID HE EXPECTS MAIN FOCUS OF VISIT TO BE ON ECONOMIC MATTERS, PARTICULARLY UTILIZATION OF CREDITS. ALTHOUGH MAKE-UP OF DELEGATION HAS NOT BEEN FINALIZED , IT WILL INCLUDE SOMEONE FROM GOSPLAN. DIMCEVSKI DOES NOT EXPECT ANY IMPORTANT POLITICAL DISCUSSIONS. TITO WILL RECEIVE KOSYGIN.

3. COMMENT: WE NOTE THAT BREZHNEV VISIT TO BULGARIA HAS NOW BEEN ANNOUNCED FOR SEPTEMBER, AND WE WOULD ASSUME THAT SOME EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO STAGGER THE TWO VISITS. EVEN SO, IT APPEARS THAT KOSYGIN ONCE MORE WILL BE UPSTAGED ON THE INTERNATIONAL SCENE BY BREZHNEV.

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